

**RESOLUTION**

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**A RESOLUTION, PURSUANT TO LA R.S. 33:9101 ET SEQ. AS AMENDED BY THE LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE, UPDDATING THE EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICE CHARGE ON FIXED LOCATION WIRE LINE SERVICE USERS TO 2024 AT&T TARIFF RATES ON A FLAT RATE BASIS; ESTABLISHING THE RATES FOR RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS FIXED LOCATION WIRE LINE SERVICE USERS; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to RS 33:9106, in 1989, by majority approval of the voters of St. Mary Parish, the St. Mary Parish Communications District was granted the authority to impose a 911 service charge throughout the entirety of the District at a maximum allowed collection for fixed location wire line service subscribers not to exceed 5% of the tariff rate based on the highest amount charged for basic service within the District by an exchange access service provider or equivalent; and,

**WHEREAS**, AT&T Louisiana confirms in publication entitled LA—24—0005 General Exchange Guidebook Thirty First Revised Page 7.1.1 effective February 4, 2024 a tariff rate increase for both residential and business wire line subscribers located in Zone 1, which includes St. Mary Parish and depicts the rate for Residential being \$45.00 per month and Business Single Line being \$322.00 per month.

**WHEREAS**, to assist in remedying the loss in revenues due to an ever increasing decline in wire line service subscribers within St. Mary Parish, the St. Mary Parish Communications District Board must consider all funding options and sources,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the St. Mary Parish Communications District Board pursuant to LA R.S. 33:9101 et seq. as amended by the Louisiana Legislature, hereby authorizes the tariff based emergency telephone service charge (911 service charge) paid by Residential service users of fixed location wire ( i.e., landline telephone exchange service) line located within the boundaries of St. Mary Parish, to equal to 5.00% of the present tariff based rate, or \$2.25 per access line per month.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the St. Mary Parish Communications District Board, recognizes the tax burden imposed on the business community, and further authorizes the tariff based flat fee emergency telephone service charge (911 service charge) paid by Business service users of a fixed location wire line located within the boundaries of St. Mary Parish, to the amount equal to 1.75% of the present tariff-based rate or \$5.64 per access line per month.

WHEREUPON the motion was put to a vote and the vote thereon was as follows:

**YEAS: FIVE (5)**

**Mr. Duval Arthur**  
**Mr. Garrett Grogan**  
**Mr. Justin Martin**  
**Mr. Matt Mayon**  
**Mr. Scott Verret**

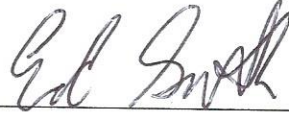
**NAYS: ZERO (0)**

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: ONE (1)**

**Mr. Jimmy Broussard**

I, Edward Smith, Chairman of the St. Mary Parish Communications District Board, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the assembled Board during the public meeting held on September 26, 2024.

Given under my official signature on this 26th day of September 2024.



Edward Smith, Chairman  
St. Mary Parish Communications District